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II. Remarks

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Applicant submits that this amendment after final action is proper under 37 CFR 1.116 in that the amendment is made to comply with requirements to form set forth in a previous Office action.

The examiner has repeated the objection to the drawings made in the first Office action on the basis that the amendment to the specification was not in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(b). Applicant submits herewith amendments to the specification. These amendments conform to 37 CFR 1.121(b).

Applicant submits that the amendments to the specification obviate the objections to the drawings. As amended the specification contains reference character 124. The reference characters 76, 90A, 94, 92A and 119 have been deleted from the specification. The drawing description of Figure 9A has been amended to recite that the view is of a portion of the munitions trailer generally viewed from the line A-A thereof.

In addition the reference in the specification at page 9, line 15, to a "tongue 92" has been corrected to a "tongue 32."

It is believed that all of the drawing objections noted by the examiner have been addressed as well as other informalities of the specification. Accordingly allowance of the application is respectfully requested. If outstanding issues remain the examiner is

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requested to telephone the undersigned attorney for applicant at telephone number 612
632-3086 to discuss resolution of any such issues.

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